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1. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-165881, published June 16, 2000.
2. T. R. GARDOS, "Video Codec Test Model, Near-Term, Version 10 (TMN10) Draft 1", published by ITU-T SG16, April, 1998, pp. 1-33.

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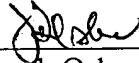
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